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## Chief Justice Robert P. Young, Jr. Statement on the Retirement of Court of Appeals Judge William C. Whitbeck

LANSING, MI, October 10, 2014 – Court of Appeals Judge William C. Whitbeck has announced his retirement, effective November 21, 2014. Elected three times to the Court of Appeals, Judge Whitbeck has served on the court since 1997, including six years as Chief Judge. In addition to his service on the Court of Appeals, Judge Whitbeck served three Michigan governors, beginning with George Romney.

"Bill Whitbeck's service to Michigan in both the judicial and executive branches of government is a testament to his keen legal intellect, administrative skill and policy-making acumen," said Chief Justice Robert P. Young, Jr. "Those qualities combined to help him to make the Court of Appeals worthy of national recognition as a model appellate court while he served as its Chief Judge."